

Chinook Area ASC Minutes



DATE: January 26, 2016
LOCATION: The House

TIME: 12:00 PM to 2:50 PM
TAKEN BY: Léa L, ASC Secretary

Order of the Day

1. Open with Moment of Silence and the Serenity Prayer

TIME: 12:00 PM

BY: JEFF L., ASC CHAIR

2. Readings:

a) *The Twelve Traditions*

BY: RYAN G., GSR-ALT FOR FREEDOM FRIDAYS GROUP

b) *The Twelve Concepts*

BY: SCOTT H., GSR FOR FREEDOM FRIDAYS GROUP

c) *Page xxvi in 6th Edition Basic Text*

From "Everything that occurs ..."

BY: WILLIAM S., GSR FOR MORE WILL BE REVEALED GROUP

3. Introductions:

BY: ASC ADMINISTRATION

Welcome New Groups and Interested Members

➤ Bill K.	GSR for Sowing the Seed Group	1 Vote
➤ Charli H.	Ad-Hoc Committee Coordinator	0 Vote
➤ Che B.	GSR for Welcome Home Group	1 Vote
➤ Cody I.	GSR for Free to be Women's Group	1 Vote
➤ Dave R.	Carrying Conscience for Just for Today Group	1 Vote
➤	& Acting ASC Treasurer	0 Vote
➤ Ian M.	GSR for Inner Peace Group	1 Vote
➤ Jayme L.	Area Activities Vice-Chair	0 Vote
➤ Jeff L.	ASC Chair	0 Vote
➤ Joanne N.	Area Convention Chair	0 Vote
➤ Kate M.	Interested Member	0 Vote
➤ Léa L.	ASC Secretary	0 Vote
➤ Lorne G.	GSR for Stepping into Recovery Group	1 Vote
➤	& Literature Depot Coordinator	0 Vote
➤	& HOPE Vice-Chair	0 Vote
➤ Mike G.	GSR for Keeping it Real Group	1 Vote
➤ Pat L.	Carrying Conscience for Fresh Start Group	1 Vote
➤	& Area RCM	0 Vote
➤ Ryan G.	GSR-Alt for Freedom Fridays Group	0 Vote
➤ Scott H.	GSR for Freedom Fridays Group	1 Vote
➤ Theresa B.	GSR for Beltline Serenity Group	1 Vote
➤ Tim R.	RCM-Alternate	0 Vote
➤ William S.	GSR for More will be Revealed Group	1 Vote

TOTAL VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: 11 VOTES

VOTES BY PROXY

➤ NONE	Members of Dying to Live Group	1 Vote
➤ Derek T.	GSR for Night Vision Group	1 Vote
➤ NONE	Members of Serenity in the Park Group	1 Vote

TOTAL PROXY VOTES: 3 VOTES

TOTAL VOTES 14 VOTES



QUORUM FOR ELECTIONS (SEE P'N'P 6.2)

<u>TOTAL CANA GROUPS:</u>	<u>39</u>
<u>VOTES REQUIRED (25%)</u>	<u>10 (9.75)</u>
<u>TOTAL VOTES PRESENT</u>	<u>14</u>
<u>RESULTS:</u>	<u>QUORUM REACHED</u>

*** All new Motions must be in prior to Admin Reports to be addressed at this meeting (P'n'P 3.1) ***

4. Adoption of Previous Minutes:

November 2015 Minutes

- No Amendments Required
- Minutes Accepted

5. Group Reports:

All Group Service Representatives are welcome to give their reports at this time, either written or verbal. Only written reports received before the end of the meeting will be entered into the Minutes.

a) Beltline Serenity Group

2039 26 A St. SW

Tuesdays and Fridays

7:30PM

FROM: THERESA B., GSR FOR BELTLINE SERENITY GROUP

- Oral Report

COMMENT:

"We have four birthdays to announce for the end of January ... all birthday celebrations at Beltline take place at the end of the month."

b) Dying to Live Group

513 13 Avenue SW, Front Door

Tuesdays and Thursdays

NOON

FROM: GROUP MEMBER SUBMISSION, DYING TO LIVE GROUP

- Written Report, Appendices pg. 01

COMMENT:

"Léa L. will be bringing our Conscience to the Workshop today concerning the CAR Report."

c) Freedom Fridays Group

3101-1213 4th St. SW

Fridays

8:00 PM

FROM: SCOTT H., GSR FOR FREEDOM FRIDAYS GROUP

- Oral Report

COMMENT:

"This is our first ASC ... our group has events, people are coming out ... we need help with our "growing group".

SUGGESTION:

"You can add a discussion regarding feedback for a new group to our Discussion Topics."

d) Free to be Women's Group

3122 - 1213 4 St. SW

Tuesdays

7:30PM

FROM: CODY I., GSR FOR FREE TO BE WOMEN'S GROUP

- Oral Report

e) Fresh Start Group

3500 - 26 Ave. NE

Sundays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays

7:00/ 8:00 PM

FROM: PAT L., CARRYING CONSCIENCE FOR FRESH START GROUP

- Oral Report

COMMENT:

"We are looking at starting a Saturday Meeting to discuss the Living Clean Book ... we are also seeking active Group Members."



f) Inner Peace Group

1802 33 Ave. SW

Thursdays

7:00PM

FROM: IAN M., GSR FOR INNER PEACE GROUP

- Oral Report

COMMENT:

"The Church will be closing their facilities to NA meetings on March 31st. All groups being held on the premises are being asked to relocate. If you are interested in helping to move Inner Peace to a new location, please attend the meeting."

g) Just for Today Group

1317 1 St. NW

Mondays

7:30PM

FROM: DAVE R., CARRYING CONSCIENCE FOR JUST FOR TODAY GROUP

- Oral Report

COMMENT:

"We are the longest standing group in the Chinook Area ... we now have new floors and new chairs ... we have one birthday announcement."

h) Keeping it Real Group

180010-4448 Front St. SE

Thursdays

8:15PM

FROM: MIKE G., GSR FOR KEEPING IT REAL GROUP

- Oral Report

COMMENT:

"We have two birthday announcements today" (See Announcements)

i) More will be Revealed Group

134 Scarboro Ave. SW

Sundays

7:30PM

FROM: WILLIAM S., GSR FOR MORE WILL BE REVEALED GROUP

- Oral Report

COMMENT:

"We have problems with keeping active Home Group members - we are now back to one member attending business meetings."

j) Night Vision Group

3818 14a St. SW

Saturdays

7:00PM

FROM: DEREK T., GSR FOR NIGHT VISION GROUP

- Written Report, Appendices pg. 2

COMMENT:

"I will not be able to attend the ASC this weekend."

k) Serenity in the Park Group

317 7th Avenue SW, Calgary

Sundays

12:30PM

FROM: GROUP MEMBER SUBMISSION, SERENITY IN THE PARK GROUP

- Written Report, Appendices pg. 3

COMMENT:

➤ "We need trusted servants, such as: GSR, GSR-Alt"

l) Sowing the Seed Group

131 7 Ave. SW

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

NOON

FROM: BILL K., GSR FOR SOWING THE SEED GROUP

- Oral Report



m) Stepping into Recovery Group

11 Sackville Dr.

Wednesdays

7:30PM

FROM: LORNE G., GSR FOR STEPPING INTO RECOVERY GROUP

- Oral Report

COMMENT:

- "Come join us for a meeting and then go Ice Skating around back."

n) Welcome Home Group

213 1 St. W., Cochrane

Wednesdays

7:30PM

FROM: CHE B., GSR FOR WELCOME HOME GROUP

- Oral Report

COMMENT:

- "We usually provide Donna K. with speakers for Sunrise but are putting it out there for those who may be interested in sharing their experience, strength and hope."

6. Sub-Committee Reports:

Questions at the end of each report

a) Activities

AREA ACTIVITIES CHAIR VACANT

FROM: JAYME L., ACTIVITIES VICE-CHAIR

- Written Report, Appendices pg. 4-5
"Activities Welcomes Ideas. Come Join us!"

QUESTIONS:

Do you have the financials for the Black Tie Affair?

- No, they have not yet been totalled. The Final Balance was over \$1000.00 but we try to hold \$1200.00 for the year.

How did the Black Tie go?

- It went well. We tried to sell 50 tickets but only sold 35. The food was awesome!

Do you have a financial statement available?

- Yes, it is going around the room.

Thank you for standing for the position (of Area Activities Chair). Why were you not at the Administration meeting?

- I was told today that I needed to be there. I do intend to go.

FEEDBACK: Regarding the Trampoline Park ... It's AMAZING!!! That is a great idea!

RESULTS:

IF YOU WANT MORE INFORMATION ON FINANCIALS, PLEASE READ THE WRITTEN REPORT
EVENTS AND POSTERS CAN BE FOUND AT www.chinookna.org AND ON THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

b) Convention

JOANNE N., AREA CONVENTION CHAIR

FROM: JOANNE N., AREA CONVENTION CHAIR

- Written Report, Appendices pg. 6
"Our Logo is in the works for our Area's 30th Convention ... our Theme this year is "XXX-The Tradition Continues!"

QUESTIONS:

Will we have exotic dancers to go along with that theme?

- No.

What positions are available?

- Programming and Second Treasurer are filled. There are some people interested in other positions. We need an actual Treasurer and a Secretary. Léa has been taking notes but is not filling the position.

When is the next meeting?

- February 13, here at The House, at Nine AM.



Will the convention have a Marathon Meeting?

- *Always in the plans but not spoken to yet.*
- *If you want to volunteer for it, you can. Available positions are on the website.*

RESULTS:

CONVENTION INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.CHINOOKNA.ORG AND ON THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

c) HOPE

HOPE CHAIR VACANT

FROM: LORNE G., HOPE VICE-CHAIR

- *Written Report, Appendices pg. 7*

QUESTIONS:

What positions are open?

- *The minutes for HOPE are available from Lorne. Lorne can also be e-mailed for further information on what positions are available. The available positions are also online.*

Were you aware that the January allotment was already given?

- *No, but thank you.*

I know it's premature, but are you willing to stand for Chair?

- *I will be stepping down from GSR as others in my Home Group have expressed interest. But nominations for HOPE Chair are open. If others are open to it, I am willing to stand.*
- *Nominations should be done at the next ASC as this should be brought to HOPE, first, however.*

What is the Clean Time Requirement for HOPE Chair?

- *Clean time requirement is three years for HOPE.*

What is the time commitment for the available H&I Coordinator positions? How many hours?

- *It depends on each individual commitment. For example, the Sunrise Panel Meetings are one hour long so it's two hours - one hour to pick up the Panel Members and drop them off. Sunrise Panel Meetings happen twice per month. Then you add the time spent on the phone contacting available speakers, providing a report to the H&I Coordinator for HOPE ... so I'd say about six hours per month. Some Panel Meetings are once per week, such as Renfrew. Places like the CYOC meet once per month. Aventa is every two weeks.*
- *The Remand Centres are interested in having us, but we have no one going in. (The NA Box is still there).*
- *Sunrise has two Coordinators; Renfrew has one elected and one filling in. Aventa has one Coordinator but it needs at least two. That's all the information on the table for now. Attend HOPE if you want more information.*

RESULTS:

LORNE CAN BE REACHED AT HOPE.CHAIR@CHINOOKNA.ORG FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING HOPE.

MORE INFORMATION REGARDING HOPE CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.CHINOOKNA.ORG AND ON THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. Administration Reports:

Questions at the end of each report

a) Administration Committee

BY: LÉA L., ASC SECRETARY

- *Written Report, Appendices pg. 8*

QUESTIONS:

None

RESULTS:

NONE

b) Chair

JEFF L., ASC CHAIR

BY: JEFF L., ASC CHAIR

- *Written Report, Appendices pg. 9*

"I look forward to getting to know each and every one of you better as we move through the year together."

QUESTIONS:

None



RESULTS:

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR JEFF L. IS FOUND IN HIS REPORT

c) Vice-Chair

AREA VICE CHAIR VACANT

By: *NONE*

- No Report

RESULTS:

PLEASE ANNOUNCE THIS POSITION AT YOUR HOME GROUPS

d) Treasurer

AREA TREASURER VACANT

By: *DAVE R., ACTING TREASURER*

- Written Report, Appendices pg. 10-18

"I have PIE Charts and two versions of them. But I'll speak to the Larger, Second Version ..."

QUESTIONS:

The Literature Depot is at The House and other things. What is our present Insurance Policy? Does our Insurance cover that and how much do we pay?

- *We pay \$46.00 per month. It covers Contents and Liability for the whole area but not for the Buildings.*

How does our contribution to Al-Sask stack up to others?

- *We are second next to Edmonton.*

How is it that HOPE can open with \$579.00 and end with \$854.00?

- *It could be because the bills haven't been paid yet but it fluctuates month per month depending on the expenses. HOPE doesn't have a prudent reserve and there is no need for it. HOPE manages their accounts very well.*

- *We used to take \$525.00 when we got below \$300.00, but we had a discussion at HOPE to raise it to \$1050.00 as a Maximum and then top it up monthly instead. It is still being discussed.*

Of the contributions listed, are these the only groups that have contributed this year? Any idea what they're doing with their Seventh?

- *What the Groups (in this area) decide to do with their Seventh is not our business. Every group is autonomous. It's up to them to decide how they are going to manage their funds.*

If a group wants to donate to the area, how do they do it?

- *They can contribute with Pizza ...*

- *You can show up at the ASC and write a cheque or bring cash. You can also e-mail, text, facetime. We can meet up at a convenient location. You can also e-transfer the funds. It will depend on the next treasurer how they will decide to do it.*

RESULTS:

PLEASE CONTACT DAVE R. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS AREA FINANCES. HIS CONTACT INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON HIS REPORT ... ALONG WITH HIS 'PIZZA' PIE CHARTS.

e) Secretary

LÉA L., ASC SECRETARY

By: *LÉA L., ASC SECRETARY*

- Written Report, Appendices pg. 19

"The ASC Secretary position is now open for Nominations. I have no intention of taking a second term."

QUESTIONS:

Are the nominations for ASC Secretary Open for next month?

- *Yes. And the position starts in April.*

RESULTS:

PLEASE ANNOUNCE THIS POSITION AT YOUR HOME GROUPS

f) Literature Depot

LORNE G., LITERATURE DEPOT COORDINATOR

By: *LORNE G., LITERATURE DEPOT COORDINATOR*

- Written Report, Appendices pg. 20-21



QUESTIONS:

CLARITY: Funds were donated to the ASC today. The numbers in the Inventory have multiplied due to an error and the donation was over by 25 per cent. Apparently, the numbers last year were done at cost. I totalled the inventory by price. However, the literature is sufficient enough to support the groups.

Please explain "Miscellaneous Sales".

➤ We have posters, speaker tapes, etc. Basically things that are not categorized items.

Have you considered lowering your Inventory Value?

➤ Yes, we can change from Cost to Sales. According to the P'n'P, we get discounts based on the size of our orders from NAWS. We pay a small amount of taxes. It is a good thing that we pay on par with the American Dollar as the margin is between 8 to 25 per cent and when I did the inventory, I allowed the inventory to drop. We usually keep an inventory of about \$25 000.00 and a cash flow of \$2 900.00. The Inventory price is the actual cost of the books plus 6%. The difference makes up for the discrepancy. We will discuss this at the Administration Committee later on should you wish to make a Motion as we are not accepting new motions at this time.

➤ I'm happy we stayed at PAR due to the amount we'd have to pay if we did so in USD, rather than in CDN. This may change in the future as we are receiving items from a warehouse in Toronto. Due to some speculation, I am not aware when they may decide to move this depot back to the US.

How much GST did you pay in 2015?

➤ Roughly \$900.00 or so ...

RESULTS:

LITERATURE DEPOT IS BUSINESS AS USUAL

LITERATURE DEPOT TIMES CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.CHINOOKNA.ORG AND ON THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

g) RCM/ RCM-Alt

PAT L., RCM

TIM R., RCM-ALT

By: PAT L., RCM

➤ Oral Report

"THIS REPORT IS ALL OVER AS IT IS NOT A WRITTEN REPORT."

There are two proposals that were brought to the Area from the Region. One raises the Prudent Reserve.

Regarding the PSA's, I am requesting more information from our last RD and will hopefully have it after the break. We can discuss more about this during the Open Discussion.

The AI-Sask Convention expenses were submitted. AI-Sask gave WSO and CANA \$871.50 each. The total was \$1743.00 over prudent reserve.

There is a Workshop at the end of the ASC for the CAR report. We will be accepting Consensus there. Please write your group names to break down conscience before we close the votes at the February ASC.

The next RCA is March 4-6.

The Profit from the Lacombe Convention was \$7743.00. \$3000.00 was the original seed money and this was paid back to AI-Sask.

QUESTIONS:

Do funds go up to CANA and the WSO every month?

➤ The Region meets three times per year. We send funds at that time.

Does money go up from the Chinook Area or from the AI-Sask Region?

➤ They go to CANA and WSO from the AI-Sask Region. It is not a direct donation. If you are asking if contributions can go direct to world, it can be done, but it must be decided by the groups.

What is CAR?

➤ Conference Agenda Report. They send these to help them function on our behalf.

I understand that there were 14 contributions made directly to the WSO from this Area?

➤ Chinook has sent \$248.00 to world from individual Groups. Five and Dime is one as they are listed as having contributed.



Are there positions open at Al-Sask?

- Yes, lots. We are seeking a Regional Delegate, a Regional Delegate Alternate, and a Regional Treasurer. We have a Motion from the Region to discuss today – to vote in March in order to move ahead with business at Al-Sask.
- The New website is up and running as well. Visit <http://www.alsaskrsc-na.org/>

RESULTS:

Visit <http://www.alsaskrsc-na.org/>

AL-SASK POSITIONS CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.CHINOOKNA.ORG AND ON THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

h) Ad Hoc Committee

CHARLI H., AD HOC COMMITTEE CHAIR

By: CHARLI H., AD HOC COMMITTEE CHAIR

- Written Report, Appendices pg. 22-24

QUESTIONS:

Would you like an e-mail list to get help with the project?

- Sure. I can send the report to people who are interested.

How long is this committee supposed to be in effect?

- Not sure. So it was obviously an issue and it was requested to have this committee adopted.
- I went to try and find information on violence and harassment. The best one I found was from Alberta Works (website listed in Report).
- There's also the IP on Violence and Harassment. There's the three person approach, which is a combination of male/ female, young/ old, to be less threatening, gentle loving ...
- Another suggestion was that 13 Stepping should be in there as well.

Tradition One speaks to Unity. Are we not creating it at the Business Meeting?

- We've done workshops on this but we should look at creating a workshop with each topic. What does it look like? Have groups come up with their own solutions? Maybe we should include groups down the line? We are certain that there are ideas that have come forward.

What do we want to do about it?

- We can speak to it during a Discussion Period. It's a very complex topic and it needs a lot of work.

This information was gathered how?

- Google. I already had some ideas. Members gave other input. It was a consolidation of a lot of stuff. The Mind Map I created came from people at the Discussion Table. I'm not certain if we are deciding on a workshop? How far do you want me to go?

Keep going. We will try to define it.

RESULTS:

IF YOU WANT TO ASSIST THE AD-HOC COMMITTEE IN DISCUSSING "BEHAVIOURAL GUIDELINES" AT THE ASC AND WHAT WOULD BEST HELP, PLEASE CONTACT CHARLI H. CONTACT INFORMATION FOUND IN THE ANNOUNCEMENTS.

BREAK FROM 2:00 PM TO 2:15 PM

8. Open Forum/ Discussion

(P&P 3.9) Group Concerns will be Given Priority

a) New Meeting needs help with defining positions at the Home Group Level as we will be holding our first official business meeting next week with members wanting Service Positions.

I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE POSITIONS ARE AND HOW WE, AS A GROUP, CAN BEST BE OF SERVICE.

- Suggest you look at the "Guide to Local Service" Book, the GSR Guidelines, and the Pamphlet "What is the NA Group". Our NA Literature Coordinator has these suggestions available for your group.
- Thank you for bringing it up. This is what it's all about.
- For me, when we started we were small. We needed to see a level of commitment. Invite all those that are not participating. Make everyone put into this. Build the desire in the newcomers.



- A GSR and GSR-Alt are important. But in terms of running a Home Group, we have a one page agenda to follow. We honour it. We borrowed some of it. If you want read the Guide only, it's up to you but if your group is willing and able to do the work, then you don't need to do all of what it suggests. You may split stuff up. It is, after all, just a Guide.
- What the Guide outlines is, as a GSR, you're the conduit between the group and the ASC. The information we have, such as open positions, is important to take back so those positions will be filled. Some people don't get support. Make a call and you'll get it. We want to grow with resources so that groups can build the excitement so that many can give back.
- How the positions are filled is important. Thirty days clean is not the best at being a Treasurer. That's where the Guide can give advice. But the nature of your meeting and how things are decided, regarding the Business Meeting, we are but Trusted Servants and we do not govern. If you start controlling people, it won't work.
- Don't be too hard and give yourselves a break. Especially if you're a new group. You are lucky enough to see a lot of newcomers staying clean. If you prop up newcomers to participate, it strengthens the group. Your business meeting grows from two people to 15 people.
- Some people don't want to take a position. It's a feeling of belonging that matters.
- We have introductory positions of co-chair. We are autonomous. We create our own positions. One way is to make you feel as though you are helping and keep coming after that. Give experience to explore things.
- We need to understand how each position works.

ACTION ITEM

NEW GROUPS CAN REFER TO THE "GUIDE TO LOCAL SERVICE IN NA", WHICH CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE LITERATURE DEPOT FOR \$8.25. GO TO www.chinookna.org FOR CONTACT INFORMATION AND ORDER FORM.

b) Explain where the Contributions can go for the PSAs out in the Summer?

ALL CHEQUES ARE TO BE MADE OUT TO CANA-ACNA. IF YOUR GROUP WANTS TO PURCHASE PSAs FOR THE CHINOOK AREA ONLY, SEND AN E-MAIL TO DAVE C. AND LET HIM KNOW THAT THE CHEQUE YOU ARE SUBMITTING IS FOR THIS AREA ONLY. IF A GROUP WANTS TO MAKE A PSA CONTRIBUTION, YOU CAN GIVE YOUR DONATIONS TO PAT L. TO GIVE TO THE RD. OR SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTION DIRECT TO CANA.

WE'LL LEAVE THIS OPEN FOR THE NEXT ASC ...

Question: CAN WE GIVE CASH? YES. I'M SURE YOU CAN.

Question: REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE MONEYS ARE GIVEN DIRECTLY TO CANA OR TO THE REGION OR HERE, THEY WILL BE DONE IN OUR AREA? YES. BUT YOU NEED TO CONTACT DAVE C. OR ELSE THEY CAN BE AIRED ANYWHERE.

ACTION ITEM

DETAILS REGARDING PSA CONTACT INFORMATION IN ANNOUNCEMENTS

c) Would like to see groups take responsibility for sending members to serve H&I and PR.

HOW DO WE GET MORE PEOPLE DOING SERVICE IN TREATMENT CENTRES? ONE IDEA WAS TO HAVE GROUPS PICK A TREATMENT CENTRE AND SUPPORT IT.

- Say Stepping will look after Sunrise for one month and make a commitment to go with the coordinator and schedule in a member. We put that out to get groups to use their influence on members. Just to get it out there.
- If you go, the feedback can inspire you for service even further. Because you bring more people to do service. Let's get more people.
- It wasn't just for H&I - for example, it can be managing the phone line as well. The Old Phone line Coordinator had the phone booked for one year in advance and it went well. So it was a lot of work. But the next group is doing a bigger job.
- Outreach is Adopt-a-Group service ...
- PR can be done as a Group, H&I can be done as a group. So get involved and you must know what it feels like.



- *And you're sharing at a level that you can express what doing this stuff does. Your experience is doing the service. Giving up your own ego. Did it once and two guys in the treatment centre are clean - it works. It's a great idea if we get enough experience - then yeah. If we do service for one year ... but no one asked me to go back to Renfrew.*
- *Think it's a great idea. We had this discussion at the Home Group during the Business Meeting. They loved the idea. Our concern; when you have only four core members ... if two groups teamed up to partner in sponsorship ...*
- *I like the idea but if the groups decided yes, we are still accountable to the H&I Coordinator and HOPE and to the workshop at HOPE. We can't just send people as it can hurt us. It may pressure the groups that don't have a lot of members. It's rather to get the people interested. We need more people interested in service, period.*
- *We have a resource list and it's old. Not a lot of people are involved. It's limiting when I pick people based on who I'm seeing and listening to at meetings. I can't inspect groups as a whole.*
- *To add, if your group wants to, then you go to the Coordinator directly. If a Woman's Group wants to commit to going once in a while, then that's great. It doesn't need to be all of the time.*
- *The emphasis is that it's the responsibility of the GSRs as you are the Group Service Representative. If you send one member to each committee then it's not just the responsibility of the GSR. Get that out to the groups and let them know what the rewards are. I would like to employ all GSRs to add their names to the resource list if they are interested. Talk to their home groups to get a list.*
- *One more thing, the IP has a standing topic of service so it helps to get the information out on these.*

ACTION ITEM

SUBMIT A CONTACT NAME AND NUMBER FOR PERSONS INTERESTED IN DOING SERVICE.

CONTACT INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.CHINOOKNA.ORG AND ON THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

d) Discussion Regarding the Ad-Hoc Committee

AS DISCUSSED, THIS CAN TAKE DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS. LOOKING FOR SOLUTIONS TO BRING MEMBERS WHO ARE LOOKING AT IDENTIFYING PROBLEMS PREVENTING PEOPLE FROM COMING HERE AND GOING FROM THERE. I'M OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS.

QUESTION: *DO WE HAVE A TITLE FOR THIS AD-HOC COMMITTEE YET? No.*

QUESTION: *Would you like to lead a work shop? Yes.*

QUESTION: *Do you see that kind of violence? Even if not - if you have active Guidelines, you always have a door. You always need a door. I like the idea of finding one.*

QUESTION: *Do we have a pamphlet and can we use it? Yes. That is what we are doing now.*

- *At Mount Royal (Hidden Violence) we had a conference. If a group mentions words like "violence", people stay away. If you change the wording so that it has a positive aspect more people will commit.*
- *LGBTQ has safe situation ideas in a one on one discussion group.*
- *The Non-Violence Committee by Rosenberg has four parts to it. Observations, Feelings, Needs, Requests. There are a lot of positive tools out there.*
- *I was going to help but I pulled out. I worked in an office like this. When something came up, there was a huge process because it was work. We need be clear of how to adapt our responses and behaviour and growth. We need to help each other. But for creating policies, it can be rather big - I say it would be one focus for now and then it points to the next thing.*
- *A lot of experiences dealing with people are negative - not just addicts. It can and does happen in the work place. We, as addicts, have far more insight into our character.*
- *I am disappointed that the support is not there. It will take a lot of time and effort.*
- *This is the ASC - we are here to serve the groups. This area has misconceptions about us. That people are happy to say how fucked up we are.*
- *Only a few groups in the area have a GSR. I suspect less than one quarter have a GSR. So the reason why they are not here can be for any reason, to be fair. We don't have to know every reason. Before all, the GSR position can be seen as a luxury position. That could also be part of it.*

QUESTION: *Can we represent some other groups as a GSR here at the ASC? Yes. We do accept Proxy Votes. A Group Conscience is a Proxy Vote.*



ACTION ITEM

PEOPLE ADDED TO A COMMUNICATION LIST FOR IDEAS ON WORKSHOPS REGARDING CONCEPT 10.
CONTACT INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.CHINOOKNA.ORG AND ON THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

9. Work Shop?

Do we have any requests? If so, it will run from 15:30h - 16:30h

ACTION ITEM

NO WORK SHOP REQUESTS— TODAY'S WORKSHOP FEATURES THE CAR REPORT OVERVIEW BY THE WSO.

10. Elections

a) Area Activities Chairperson

NOMINATED: JAYME L.

RESULTS: JAYME L. HAS BEEN ELECTED AREA ACTIVITIES CHAIRPERSON

11. Nominations

a) Area Vice-Chairperson

2 Years Clean Time Requirement

NOMINATED: NONE

RESULTS:

➤ PLEASE ANNOUNCE THIS POSITION TO YOUR GROUPS

b) Area Treasurer

3 Years Clean Time Requirement

➤ *Bill K. is not willing to accept the nomination.*

RESULTS:

➤ PLEASE ANNOUNCE THIS POSITION TO YOUR GROUPS

12. Old/ Unfinished Business:

a) Motion # 2015-11-256

MADE BY: ASC ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

SECONDED BY: STEPPING INTO RECOVERY GROUP

MOTION READS:

Allow the Al-Sask Region to spend a maximum of \$1,466.25 to add 50 PSA Spots during the CANA PSA Program between June 1 - Aug 30/2016.

INTENT OF MOTION:

To allow the region to add PSA Spots to the ones CANA is purchasing for the Al-Sask Region. See RCM Report for details of PSA Programs (Global TV).

TYPE OF MOTION:

Administrative

VOTE TOTALS

YES	14
No	00
ABSTAIN	00

RESULTS:

➤ MOTION PASSED

➤ RESULTS TO BE SENT TO THE AL-SASK REGION BY OUR RCM TEAM

13. New Business:

Time limit of 3:30PM. Any remaining motions will be carried forward to the next ASC.

a) Motion # 2016-01-257

MADE BY: DYING TO LIVE GROUP

SECONDED BY: MORE WILL BE REVEALED GROUP

MOTION READS:

That Quorum be set at two-thirds of average attendance over the previous six months, including proxy votes.

INTENT OF MOTION:

To solve the issue regarding Quorum at the ASC



TYPE OF MOTION:

Change to ASC P'n'P #6.2

QUESTIONS:

➤ **None**

MOTION STATUS: DEFERRED

ACTION ITEM:

Deferred until February ASC

b) Motion # 2016-01-258

MADE BY: *ASC ADMINISTRATION GROUP*

SECONDED BY: *STEPPING INTO RECOVERY GROUP*

MOTION READS:

Modify P'n'P #6.2 to read: In order for an election to take place at the ASC, Quorum must be established. Quorum is defined as 25% of all groups who have NOT missed 3 ASC meetings in a row. If a group misses 3 ASC meetings in a row, they will be removed from the calculation Quorum.

If a group attends an ASC meeting they will automatically be re-added to the calculation of Quorum and will remain until they miss 3 ASC Meetings in a row again.

Attendance will be recorded by the Secretary and published in the minutes each month.

ASC Meeting attendance is defined as 'in person' or 'by proxy' representation.

INTENT OF MOTION:

To allow the Chinook ASC the opportunity to fulfill Concept Number One without restraints of those groups who are unable or unwilling to attend the ASC with their group conscience to guide us in Concept Six. By having a group immediately return to the Quorum, we are ensuring Concept Seven's effectiveness.

We desire and encourage the participation of ALL Chinook Area Groups in our Service Structure. This policy is not intended to punish or inhibit any Group's Conscience at the ASC, nor will it impact any services the ASC provides to the Groups.

TYPE OF MOTION:

Change to ASC P'n'P #6.2

QUESTIONS:

➤ **None**

MOTION STATUS: DEFERRED

ACTION ITEM:

Deferred until February ASC

b) Motion # 2016-01-259

MADE BY: *HOPE COMMITTEE*

SECONDED BY: *BELTLINE SERENITY GROUP*

MOTION READS:

To raise the Literature Stipend from \$125.00 to \$250.00

INTENT OF MOTION:

To cover expected literature needs.

TYPE OF MOTION:

Change to the Area P'n'P #5.2.2

QUESTIONS:

➤ **CLARITY:** *This motion refers to the stipend for HOPE*

MOTION STATUS: REFER TO GROUPS

ACTION ITEM:

Refer to Groups for Vote on Motion



c) Motion # 2016-01-260

MADE BY: AL-SASK REGION

SECONDED BY: NONE REQUIRED

MOTION READS:

Provide Area Events work groups with a budget of \$2300.00 to fund half of the travel expenses (with host areas funding other half) for required participants travel to give workshops. There will be a maximum of seven area events (one per year) at a maximum of \$320.00 per trip.

INTENT OF MOTION:

To equally share the cost of travelling to area events to present workshops with host area.

TYPE OF MOTION:

RSC Change to Administration

QUESTIONS:

➤ None

MOTION STATUS: REFER TO GROUPS

ACTION ITEM:

Refer to Groups for Vote on Motion

d) Motion # 2016-01-261

MADE BY: AL-SASK REGION

SECONDED BY: NONE REQUIRED

MOTION READS:

Announce open nominations and March ASC elections for Regional Delegates; Regional Delegates Alt; and Treasurer position at the next Area meeting asking that open positions be announced within each area.

INTENT OF MOTION:

Obtain conscience from the area to nominate and elect these positions at the March ASC in order to fulfill regional duties without waiting till the June RSC.

TYPE OF MOTION:

RSC Administration Change - ONE TIME REQUEST

QUESTIONS:

➤ **CLARITY:** This motion is to allow our RCMs to vote on an election in March ONLY and is not a change to their usual business. It is being done in order to ensure that we have an RD and RD-Alt at the WSO.

MOTION STATUS: REFER TO GROUPS

ACTION ITEM:

Refer to Groups for Vote on Motion

14. Announcements

EVENTS AND POSTERS CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.CHINOOKNA.ORG AND ON THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

15. CLOSE MEETING WITH THE 3RD STEP PRAYER

Time: 2:50 PM

WORKSHOP HELD FROM 3:30 PM TO 4:30 PM
NEXT ASC IS ON FEBRUARY 27, 2016 @ NOON
AT "THE HOUSE" - 513 13 AVE SW, CALGARY